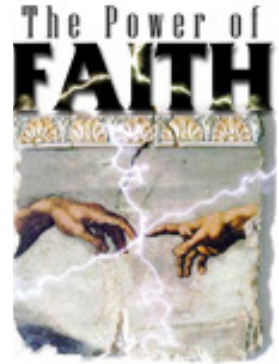


St. Faustina Catholic Church



St. Faustina Parish is a community of Roman Catholics inspired by the Holy Spirit called to reflect God's Divine Mercy, to foster spiritual growth, and attend to the temporal and spiritual needs of all God's people.



Parish Office Hours & Contact Information:

Monday thru Thursday, 10 am to 4 pm
Friday, 10 am to 1 pm

Phone: 863-438-6900 // Fax: 863-438-6902
Location: 9310 US Highway 192 Suites 1 - 3
Clermont, FL 34714

Week of June 20 to June 28

**Twelfth Sunday
In Ordinary Time**

Clergy

Parochial Administrator

Father Dave Gillis

Assisting Priest

Father Fernando Gil

Mass Schedule

Saturday, 4 pm

Sunday, 9:00, & 11:00 am

Mass in Spanish, 7 pm

Daily Masses

**8 am — Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday & Friday**

***The Divine Mercy Chaplet
takes place 15 minutes
prior to all Weekend Masses.***

Divine Mercy Chaplet

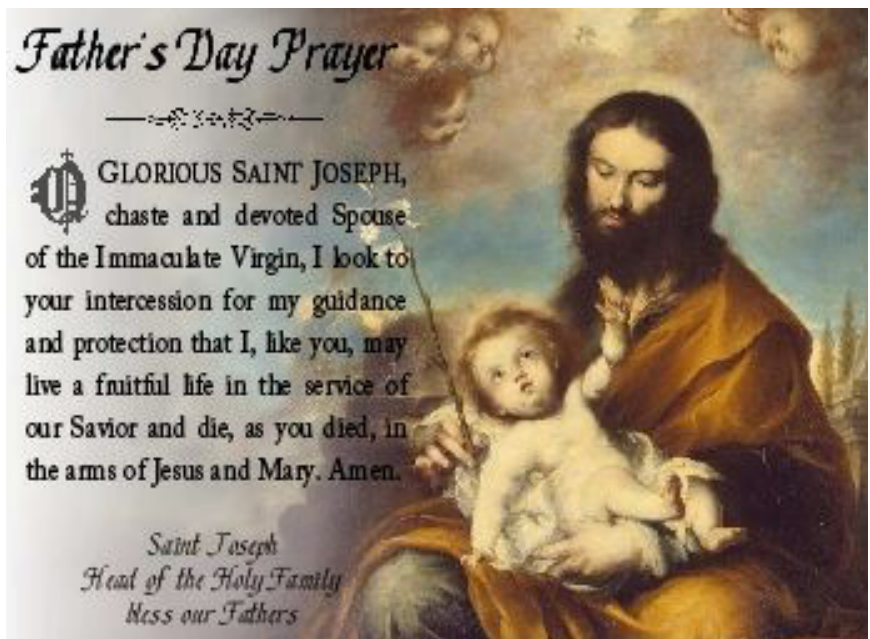
Wednesdays @ 3 pm

Anointing of the Sick

First Tuesday @ 8 am Mass

**Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament**

First Friday, 8:30 am to 5 pm



Happy Father's Day

Reconciliation is celebrated from 3:00 to 3:45 pm on Saturday or by prearranged appointment with the priest.

Baptism Parents of children to be baptized must be registered and actively participating members of the parish for at least four months prior to arranging any baptism. Attendance at parental preparation class is required.

Marriage Weddings are celebrated on Saturdays. Engaged couples should contact the parish office for an initial interview before setting any dates. A four-month preparation program is required. At least one member of the couple must have been a registered and actively participating member of the parish for a minimum of four months prior to the beginning of marriage prep.

PARISH STAFF Elaine Goth, *Bookkeeper*; Marylu Mariniello, *Coordinator of Faith Formation*; Carol Arroyo, *Parish Secretary*; Bob Vince, *Knights of Columbus Grand Knight*; Jose Cordeiro, *Spanish Mass Ministry Coordinator*; Nancy Harrigan, *Readers and EMs Coordinator*; Bill Murphy, *Mass Captains, Ushers & Greeters Coordinator*; Bob Vince, *Music Ministry*

Father Dave's Corner



Facing fearful situations comes with the territory of being human. Yet, our faith tells us that God is always present in those moments when we cannot handle things on our own.

Not too long after the AIDS epidemic began to take its toll across the United States, a priest was called to the home of a family whose son had returned from the big city with a mysterious disease.

The priest spent some time with the dying man, who looked incredibly small and frail in his sickbed, as if the weight of the blankets alone was enough to hold him there. Eventually, after stories of parties and wild times, the reality of the young man's situation became clear. The priest had the good sense to tell him that God loved him, though he hardly knew what else to say. Mostly, the priest just listened. Later, when the priest rose to leave after anointing the dying man, his heart tugged at him and in a distant echo of how the priest's own mother had always kissed him good night, he leaned over to touch his lips to the young man's forehead. At that moment, he saw the perspiration glistening there, and suddenly, a frightening question stopped the priest in his tracks as he thought, "Is that deadly virus in the sweat of this man's brow?"

Fear or faith—which is to rule our lives? That question seems to be a constant part of the background throughout Mark's Gospel, just as it is also a constant part of our lives. In the story we hear in today's Gospel, Jesus himself asks his disciples if they have faith. They had been with him for a while and heard him preach about the reign of God, but the biggest miracles were still ahead of them. When the storm came and appeared to threaten their very lives as the water filled their boat, the disciples became the ones with questions.

Clearly, the boat was a sign of the early Church for those who first heard Mark's Gospel—just as even today a boat is often used to symbolize the Church. For the early Church, persecutions by the Roman and Jewish authorities often appeared ready to swamp and sink the little boat of the early Christian community.

Today, we can think of many things that seem ready to sink the Church—from persecution in some parts of the world to scandals such as sexual abuse or financial mismanagement and the attempts to cover up those scandals; to laws and norms in our society that attack our very beliefs and existence.

Our personal ships of faith seem ready to sink from time to time as well—when we wonder at the fearsome troubles we face in our lives, our families, and in the world. We may think that we are adrift and alone in a storm. Job wondered why so many terrible things had happened in his life—only to hear that God is ALWAYS present and powerful in ways far beyond our understanding.

The disciples in the storm-tossed boat thought Jesus was asleep and paying no attention to their plight. But...HE WAS WITH THEM! And He is with us at every moment and in every frightening situation in our lives. Fear or faith? That question will always be with us, and the truth is that we need the help of others to face that question. Things are never as frightening if we are not facing them alone. Faith is always stronger when it is shared. Gathering around the Lord's Table, we can say, "God is with us," and we can know that our fears can be overcome. (Jack Clark Robinson, OFM; St. Anthony Messenger Press)

MAY THE LORD'S PEACE, JOY, HOPE AND LOVE BE YOURS ALWAYS!

Father Dave

**June 7th Offering:
\$6,663**



Pray everyday, thanking God for the St. Faustina parish community we have, and asking Him to provide us with the church building we desire.



CONSTRUCTION FUND BALANCE IS: \$1,002,641
(as of June 9, 2015)

DINE TO DONATE OPPORTUNITY THIS WEEK: Tuesday, June 23rd, BOB EVANS on Rte 192 in Kissimmee invites us to eat **ALL DAY** long. A flyer is needed and can be picked up at the church entrances. **PLEASE DON'T FORGET OUR REGULARS-** **Mandarin Garden** (Right next door) and **Sarah's Greek Cuisine** in Cagan's Crossing as well as newcomer, **Bruno's NY Style Pizza and Italian Restaurant** (Postcards are available at Church entrances. **ANYTIME** you dine at Bruno's

NEW CATALOG FUND-RAISER Please pick up a catalog and an order sheet for the Robyn's Nest of Gifts-N-Treasures. **We will receive 50% of whatever you purchase.** The World Products Marketplace catalog is full of articles for home and garden. **Please browse the catalog, fill out and return your order forms by June 21st to the box on the gift shop cabinet, making payment to St. Faustina Church** (include shipping charges but **NO SALES TAX**). **Checks or cash, or money orders only...no credit cards.** There is a 30 day refund policy. Items will be shipped to St. Faustina Church and should be here by the middle of July.

INDEPENDENCE DAY RAFFLE TICKETS will be available for sale **THIS** week-end June 20-21 at all the Masses. First prize is 25% of all money collected; 2nd prize is 15% and 3rd prize is 10%. That makes it a 50-50 between the winners and the parish building fund. Tickets will be \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Drawing will be held Sunday, July 5th after the 11:00 AM Mass. **YOU NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN!** Place name, address, and phone number on the ticket, and we will contact you when you win. Celebrate our nation's freedoms and support our parish project.

TEXAS ROADHOUSE SUNDAY EVENTS--If you dine with them on Sunday from Noon to 4 PM and just write "St. Faustina Church" on your receipt and drop it in the box at the host stand, that will count (in case you wanted to KEEP your bulletin). Either way, the parish will receive 10% of your receipt at the end of the month.

ATTENTION ALL AMAZON SHOPPERS--We now have a new way for you to help St. Faustina's Building Fund. If you shop at AmazonSmile they will make a donation to your favorite charity of .5% of every eligible purchase you make. To find out more about this wonderful opportunity to add to our building fund, please go to our web site: www.stfaustina.org and click on the **AMAZONSMILE FUNDRAISER link.**

ATTENTION CRUISE-GOERS! An informational flyer is now posted on our website regarding our 2016 St. Faustina Cruise on Royal Caribbean's Vision of the Seas. We will be going on a 7 Day cruise leaving on Sat. Feb. 20, 2016 out of Tampa. Our ports will be Honduras, Belize, Costa Maya, Mexico, and Cozumel and back to Tampa on Sat. 2/27/16. call Debbie Bergeron (407-791-2444) to book cabins. There is a \$35 transportation fee...per person...if you use the bus service.

OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP THE PARISH: Eiana Villarta, a parishioner and also a Real Estate Agent, is offering 15% of her Commission to St. Faustina's Construction Fund. Pick up a flyer at the bookcase in the front lobby. We have another real estate agent who is a parishioner who offered to share 20% of her commission with St. Faustina's Parish. **Kim Nigreli,** of LaRosa Realty, has placed some postcards, and business cards on the bookshelf in the office.

Find us on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/St.FaustinaCatholicChurch



EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER to contact Father Dave after office hours. Call the parish number: (863) 438-6900 and you will get a voice mail message telling you the number for getting in touch with me IN AN EMERGENCY.



SPECIAL THANKS FROM OUR PARISHIONER who worked on those Prison Retreats the weekend of June 5-6. "Dear St. Faustina Parishioners...thank you for your prayers this past week-end for the Jail and Prison Retreats (REC-Residents Encounter Christ) and (Exodus). The

Holy Spirit touched the hearts, minds and souls of 35 men and 25 women at Sumter Jail in Bushnell and 33 men at Lake Correctional Institute in Clermont. Some of the comments of the inmates during closing were: I never heard of Christ; this has changed my life...I never saw Christ's Love before...When I get out of here, I am going home and raise my grandchildren the right way...I am going home and build a new relationship with my wife...I have been in and out of here for 47 years; I did not know Christ; I do now and I will not be back; I am changing the way I live. This man's partner was in the women's retreat and was also touched by the Holy Spirit. One man was baptized. This is YOUR PRAYERS at work! Thanks and God Bless"....Don

FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM: FREEDOM TO BEAR WITNESS will take place from **June 21 to July 4, 2015**. This is a time when our Church liturgical calendar celebrates a series of great martyrs who remained faithful in the face of persecution by political power—St. Thomas More and St. John Fisher, St. John the Baptist, SS. Peter and Paul, the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome. The theme of this year's Fortnight will focus on the "freedom to bear witness" to the truth of the Gospel. Archbishop William E. Lori says: "Keeping the spirit of the Gospel means that Catholic institutions are to bear witness in love to the full truth about the human person by providing social, charitable, and educational services in a manner that fully reflects the God-given dignity of the human person." In order for Catholic institutions to do this, the individual Catholic believer must do whatever they can in their private lives to reflect those Gospel values. PLEASE pray and do whatever you can to keep our freedom to bear witness to the Gospel alive in our nation today!

MISSION COOPERATIVE VISIT AND COLLECTION take place NEXT weekend, June 27-28. Fr. Dennis Maglasang, of the Missionaries of Faith-Philippine Province will preach at all masses and there WILL be a second collection taken up for their work. Please use the envelope from March, 2015 that is marked Missionary Cooperative in order to get correct credit for your donation. If you don't have that envelope, just use a plain envelope marked Missionary Cooperative and drop it in the second collection. Please be generous.

THE PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Join our Holy Father as a witness of charity to those who are suffering. PLEASE BE GENEROUS!!!

HELP AND DONATIONS ARE WELCOME: We have about 6 of our teens from the parish who will be attending the National Catholic Youth Council in November of this year. This is a great event for them to experience the Lord in a special way, meet thousands of faith-filled teens from around the United States, and improve their relationship with the Lord and the Church. It is a weekend event to be held in Indianapolis. The teens families will be responsible for the cost which could run up to \$750.00 each. We would like to help them as much as possible; so, we are putting this appeal out to all parishioners. If you would like to help them defray some of the costs, feel free to drop a donation in the offertory in an envelope marked **NCYC Convention**, and we will share the donation equally among the teens. Please be alert...there will ALSO be a few fundraisers in the next couple of months that the teens themselves will run to earn some reduction in costs as well. Please help these youngsters experience the Lord in a new way.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED FOR THE PARKING MINISTRY—Our Parking Ministry needs AT LEAST ONE fulltime member (for Saturdays) as well as a part-timer and swingman (mostly for Sundays but also for Saturdays). If you can help call the office.

The BAKE SALE is held the second weekend of every month.



Mass Intentions

June 20 to June 28

Sat. 6/20

Job 38: 1-11 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 Mark 4:35-41
4 PM -- Carol Schanen + (Ken & Lynda Schanen)

Sun. 6/21

9:00 AM -- Lance Corporal John Mann + (Margaret Mann)
11:00 AM -- Mary Ellen Doherty + (Thomas Doherty)
7:00 PM--(espanol) -- Hector Velez + (Velez Family)

Mon. 6/22 -- 8 am -- NO MASS

Genesis 12:1-9 Matthew 7:1-5

Tues. 6/23 -- 8 am -- Carole Daly Rivaldo + (Casey Family)

Genesis 13:2-18 Matthew 7:6-14

Wed. 6/24 -- Nativity of St. John the Baptist

8 am -- Healing for Alice Lawrence (Iris Brocato)

Isaiah 49:1-6, Acts 13:22-26 Luke 1:57-80

Thurs. 6/25 -- 8 am -- Kenneth Wellens +

(Denver & Jackie Heal)

Genesis 16:1-16

Matthew 7:21-29

Fri. 6/26 -- 8 am -- Bernardine Kupec + (6th Ann) (Fr. Dave)

Genesis 17:1-22 Matthew 8:1-4

Sat. 6/27

Wisdom 1:13-24 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Mark 5:21-43

4 PM -- Louis Zezza + (Cheryl Macaluso)

Sun. 6/28

9:00 AM -- Madeline White + (Ray White)

11:00 AM -- Robert Pollhammer + (Mary & William Bush)

7:00 PM--(espanol) -- Margarita & Maria Rojas +

(Lucia Basile)

As of 6/12, we have 208 families pledging \$44,324.00 and paying \$29,521.74 toward our goal of \$51,120.00. Participation is 40.9% of our 508 families. Please...please...those who have NOT yet pledged, please prayerfully consider helping our brothers and sisters in the Diocese of Orlando.



GOING OUT OF TOWN?...find a Catholic Church and mass schedule at: www.masstimes.org

Stewardship



Life, by its very nature, is filled with storms. In more than one Biblical account, we hear about Jesus calming a storm. Today's Gospel from St. Mark reports one of these incidents. Jesus is asleep in a boat carrying the Apostles across the Sea of Galilee.

Presumably the storm was raging and was loud, but the Lord does not awaken. We might also imagine that the Apostles are yelling and making noise in an effort to combat the terrible weather, but that does not awaken Jesus. Certainly water in rain and waves is splashing on and into the boat, but He continues to sleep. However, when they call to Him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" Jesus wakes up immediately and responds to the problem.

In the midst of the storms of our lives, we need to take the time to turn to God and ask for help. The Lord will respond. When He does, we need to be prepared for the same question He poses to His Apostles, "Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" We must think of the many times in our lives when the Lord has blessed us, and kept us. Our faithful response to this love should be increased trust and a sense of stewardship of the gifts with which we have been blessed.